

February 27, 2009

Bids for furnishing and installing new playground equipment at 12<sup>th</sup> Street Elementary School will be received by Portage Public Schools at the Community Room, in the Administration Building at Portage Public Schools, 8111 S. Westnedge, Portage, MI 49002, no later than 3:00 p.m., Thursday, March 26, 2009 local time.

All bids received prior to the stated time will, at said place, be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids received after the stated times will be returned unopened.

Bid security in the amount of 5% of the base bid must accompany each proposal. All contractors submitting bids for work in excess of \$50,000 must be bondable.

Architects: TMP Associates

470 West Centre

Portage, Michigan 49024

(269) 327-0077 (269) 327-8090 Fax

Bid documents will be sent out by the architect in PDF format via email beginning on Thursday, March 5, 2009. Contractors may request a hard copy of the bid documents from the architect. Please make the request to asvidron@tmp-architecture.com.

All bidders must provide familial disclosure in compliance with paragraph (d.) of MCL 380.1267 along with their bid proposal. The bid proposal shall be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing and familial relationship that exists between the owner or any employee of the bidder and any member of the Portage Public Schools Board or the Portage Public Schools Superintendent. The District will not accept a bid proposal that does not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement.

The board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, either in whole or in part; to award contract to other than the low bidder; to waive any irregularities and/or informalities; and in general to make awards in any manner deemed to be in the best interests of the owner.

Tom Noverr, Assistant Superintendent Portage Public Schools